

**ABSTRACT**

Provided is a hair cosmetic composition containing  
(A) from 0.001 to 10 wt.% of an amphipathic amide lipid,  
and (B): from 0.05 to 10 wt.% of a dialkyl ether or  
5 ethylene glycol dialkyl ether with an alkyl group having  
from 18 to 22 carbon atoms, or an ethylene glycol monofatty  
acid ester, ethylene glycol difatty acid ester, fatty acid  
monoethanolamide or acylated  $\beta$ -alanine with an acyl group  
having from 18 to 22 carbon atoms.

10 The hair cosmetic composition of the present  
invention for example, protects the hair from physical or  
chemical stimulation, prevents appearance of split ends and  
broken hair, imparts natural smoothness, moist feeling,  
resilience and strength, and moisture retention property to  
15 the hair after treatment (shampooing), and at the same time  
has excellent storage stability.